

Amendment to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-29. (Previously canceled)

30. (Currently amended) A method of inhibiting the proliferation of malignant breast cancer cells in a mammal, said method comprising administering to said mammal an effective amount of one or more cytokines selected from the group consisting of ~~onc~~ostatin-M (OSM), interleukin-6 (IL-6), interleukin-11 (IL-11), leukemia inhibitory factor (LIF) and epidermal growth factor (EGF) for a time and under conditions sufficient to ameliorate the effects of or to delay onset of breast cancer in a mammal.

31. (Previously presented) The method according to Claim 30 wherein the mammal is a human.

32. (Canceled)

33. (Previously presented) The method according to Claim 30 wherein the cytokine is LIF.

34. (Previously presented) The method according to Claim 30 wherein the cytokine is IL-6.

35. (Previously presented) The method according to Claim 30 wherein the cytokine is IL-11.

36. (Previously presented) The method according to Claim 30 wherein the cytokine is EGF.

37-42. (Previously canceled)